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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
MASAKI NITTA ET AL.)
Appln. No.: N.Y.A.)
Filed: Herewith)
For: COLOR INK-JET RECORDING)
APPARATUS AND METHOD)
AND METHOD OF PROCESSING)
IMAGE DATA)
Examiner: N.Y.A.
Group Art Unit: N.Y.A.
February 6, 2002

The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified application
as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph at page 8, lines 7 and 8, to read as follows (a
copy of that paragraph, marked to read as follows, is appended):

--Figs. 4A to 4C are explanatory representations showing a recorded state
achieved by a divided recording method;--.